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ALL FOR WAR AND WELFARE. (An Analysis)

We are not going to take issue this year with the omission by the President of the national space program from his report to the nation, his second year for doing so. While we will not accept his philosophy that the people of our country need not receive a deeper understanding of the vital role of space to his plans for a "Great Society," we have come to understand that with the President it is enough that the relatively fixed income he has assigned the program for the next few years is sufficient to carry "his brainchild" forward at the rate he deems prudent.

What we will take issue with is his unilateral and backwoods disarmament plans for the entire nation while taxing the taxes of the people for improving the welfare of a small segment of the people. Our President, perhaps the most astute politician, knows that little disagreement will he find and high are the rewards of the president that increases the welfare of his people. However, the acceptance of welfare and the permission of the people to be taxed for it is in direct relation to the people's knowledge of how well the Federal government is providing for the continuity of national survival.

For the price of the new taxes he is asking the people to bear he promises to return it in full to our aged in the form of Social Security. That 6 percent toll on our taxes will bring in a revenue of \$4.5 billion, the cost of a 20 percent increase in the old age security. That same \$4.5 billion (for the first year) would pay for an anti-missile missile defense against a possible Chinese threat which may materialize in as little as five years. Three years of that tax would almost pay for a defense against what the Soviets might send against us during the next decade. Yet the President says he will meet that responsibility by seeking the attainment of the most elusive of all avenues of security-disarmament. He will seek this dream with a nation that is already putting the same weapons around its cities that Johnson refuses to acknowledge as necessary.

Welfare within the family of a nation is a luxury, a luxury that we all want and will always seek, but the wise will only seek that luxury when the necessities of its people have been assured. Can there be any greater necessity than the insurance of survival? What is the good of a Social Security insurance when our children are not being provided the one insurance that the Constitution specifically delegates to the Federal government -- the insurance of the defense of its peoples?

No one spoke louder or more frequently for a public awareness of the dangers of unpreparedness when our nation was awakened to the fact that the Soviet Union had the first ICBM and then the first space capability than did President Johnson in the era before he reached the White House. Now that he is President never has he spoken softer on the subject. Rather,

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